

SAMBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Monday 16th July 2018

Present:

Cllr Chris Clews	Chairman
Cllr Phil Jones	Vice-Chairman
Cllr David Shaw	
Cllr Pete Joynes	
Cllr Philip Bond	
Teresa Murphy	Clerk

There were 12 parishioners present.

1.Apologies: Cllr Justin Kerridge

2.Disclosure of Interest: None

3.Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 21st May 2018 were agreed and signed.

4. Matters arising

Speeding Action Group: Dealt with under Agenda Item 6.

Flooding at end of Middletown Lane: Dealt with under Agenda Item 7.

Public Participation : Bench in field at the back of the Trust Cottages: It was confirmed that Geoff Smith had been contacted and the bench dealt with.

Bench around the Chestnut Tree: The proposed site for the new bench was around the oak tree by the bus shelter. However, measuring up for the groundworks has proved very difficult due to the unevenness of the ground and the root structure. With these difficulties in mind, the following option was discussed:

- i. Purchase a new chestnut tree, to be planted near to the existing one, and site the bench around the new tree.
- ii. Cllr Jones said that WCC Forestry would recommend this option as the present chestnut tree has a limited life.

- iii. Cllr Jones agreed to contact Forestry and ask for advice on where to purchase a suitable chestnut tree and give us an idea of cost.

Action: Cllr Jones, Chairman

Planter in Middletown: The Clerk confirmed she had forwarded a cheque for a one off payment towards the cost of plants.

Unlit bollard on the Slough: Cllr Shaw confirmed this had been reported.

5. Public Participation

None

6. Speeding Action Group

The following points were discussed:

- i. Traffic calming measures and action taken in neighbouring villages.
- ii. Cllr Rickhards was asked to obtain the data from the the twin pipe kit that was deployed in Sambourne recently.
- iii. The possibility of either loaning or buying a mobile speed camera for Community Speed Watch purposes had been discussed. Safer Roads Partnership completed a risk assessment of some proposed sites for the CSW. We now have several approved sites along Middletown Lane and Oak Tree lane. Unfortunately we cannot go on Whitemoor Lane as this is national speed limit.
- iv. Cllr Joynes asked Cllr Rickhards if there was a possibility of getting some weight limits imposed on Sambourne. Anything that could help to decrease the number of vehicles and the speed is worth investigating.
- v. Cllr Bond reported that Sambourne is being plagued by speeding quad bikes. Police have been informed and it is hopeful that action will be taken. Parishioners were urged to contact the Police if they witness this nuisance as there is an ongoing file with Warwickshire Police.
- vi. Cllr Joynes was asked to call another meeting of the Speeding Action Group as soon as possible.

Action: Cllr Joynes, Cllr Rickhards

7. Flooding in Middletown

- There is an ongoing issue of water on the road in Middletown Lane.
- Meetings have been held with WCC Flood Risk Management Team and Highways and the Chairman and Cllr Bond are working closely with them to resolve this issue.
- Grant funding (Flood Protection) may be available to cover costs of, for example, clearing the gully watercourse that takes the water off the lane and across nearby fields.

Action: Chairman, Cllr Bond

8. Request for Volunteers to help with the Flagpole and hoisting of Flags

The Chairman and Cllr Bond have taken responsibility for the flagpole since the resignation of a former Councillor. They are now looking for volunteers to take on this task. Geoff Smith offered his services, which were gratefully received. If any parishioner would like to assist Geoff, please contact the Parish Council.

Action: Geoff Smith

9. Accounts

The Clerk circulated two spreadsheets detailing the Receipts and Payments to date. These figures were noted.

The following cheques were signed:

Clerk	Salary	512.75
	Expenses	71.00
HMRC	Clerk's Tax	128.00
Flagpole Express	St George Flag	88.68
WALC	Training	35.00
J R Gibbs	Mowing	1539.40
British Gas	Electricity on the Green	35.18
Cllr Clews	Website and Printing expenses	29.73

10. Planning

New Applications

18/01280/FUL	29/05/18	Lynton House Sambourne Lane	Single Storey extension	Support
19/01230/FUL	31/05/18	6 Johns Close Studley	Decking and shed permission	Granted lawful
18/00701/FUL	01/06/18	Harvesters Motor House, Middletown Lane	Regularisation of existing accommodation block ancillary to main house for use as an independent dwelling and holiday let (retrospective)	Objections

18/01471/FUL	4/6/18	Brookside Farm	Erection of replacement storage barn	Permission granted
18/01700/COUQ	21/6/18	Spinney Cottage	Change of use	Support with request to keep noise down
18/01741/FUL	09/07/18	The Nook, Mobile Home, Perrymill Lane	Siting of mobile home for holiday let purposes	Objections
18/01005/LDE	16/07/18	Ms Annabelle Matthews	Use of land for storage (B8) use, Jill Lane	

Decisions

18/01092/LBC	18/06/2018	Haydon Way Farm	Removal of timber fence and replacement with brick boundary wall	Listed Building Consent Granted
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11. Correspondence

The Open Spaces Annual Report and booklet was circulated.

12. Chairman's Business

- i.* The verge behind the car park spaces by the recreation ground is now able to be cut by the mower.
- ii.* The provision of superfast broadband is still not reaching certain properties in Middletown. The map produced by Open Reach is not correct. Properties from the White House to Middletown are shown as connected to Superfast broadband. The DSL checker shows this is not the case. CSW will ask Openreach to correct the map. A request to our MP - Nadhim Zahawi - received the following reply: *I have written to Open Reach to say the situation has gone on for too long and to seek assurances the work will happen this time. I am very sorry constituents have had to put up with these delays and missed deadlines. I will be in touch when I have had a response.*
- iii.* The benches and waste bin on the Green all need varnishing. It was agreed that quotes would be obtained from the person who varnished them previously and that the sum of £120 per bench (£450 in total) could be spent on this work. Cllr Rickhards said that an application could be made to the County Councillors Grant.

Action: Chairman, Clerk

13. Any other business

A planning application has been received by Coughton Parish Council relating to the proposed B8 use at Coughton Lodge Farm. As this could have an impact on Sambourne, members of the Parish Council have been invited to attend the meeting on 17th July in Coughton to have a look at the plans.

14. Dates of next meetings:

- Monday 17th September at 7.45 pm
- Monday 12th November at 7.45 pm

The meeting ended at 9.05 pm